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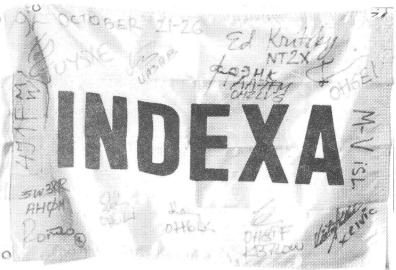
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M-V ISLAND





This MV Island DXpedition started at the home of AA7FM in Arizona during a visit from 3W3RR,NT2X and UA3AB. They discussed it to be a multinational operation and it was. The team consisted of OH6EI,3W3RR,OH8PF,XElVIC,NT2X,OH6LI,UA3AB,AA7FM,OH6LK and UY5XE.

Ed, NT2X had papers to permit him to bring his HT into Russia. The customs agent desided to detain it. Later the same day, it was returned in exchange for a storage fee of \$20USD. Hi. An overnight stay was required in Vyborg where the first hotel wanted 32,000 roubles (\$80) per night per person. The next hotel only wanted 140 roubles (\$0.35) if you were Russian or 650 roubles (\$1.63) if you came from one of the Baltic countries. WOW! They got a three bed room for 4 people, a broken shower, falling bathroom tiles and a toilet that worked sometimes.

When the Finns tried to cross into Russia, they were turned away. The group already in Russia found them by telephone back in Finland. The paper work was finally cleared and they came back and were allowed to enter Russia. This problem at the Finland/Russia crossing almost stopped the entire dxpedition. All went well on MV Island. Each found that they were good at something besides playing radio. This includes NT2X running around with a video trying to commemorate the occasion.

They enjoyed working the pileup so much, most of the time they would forget to refuel the generator and this is why at times, they left the air unannounced. Hi. Everyone enjoyed the "authentic Finnish coffee" prepared by Tomi,OH8PF. No one has informed us what was added to it yet that made it such a favorite drink! A total of 13,000 contacts were made. It would appear they would not have time to destroy a very good INDEXA flag, but they did. Anyway, the flag looks good with the names of all the operators.

If you didn't know Larry, you failed to see a person that always wanted to help others. If you talked to him enough, you may begin to wonder how someone could be that friendly everyday. We stopped trying to figure out how, we just enjoyed knowing him. Many of us would do well if we had the same personality.

Larry gave his time to many projects that most were not aware of. He was a member of the New Mexico Symphony chorus, tenor soloist at the Harwood Methodist Church, Director of the Albuquerque amateur radio club and worked at the VA hospital therapy group with amateur radio. Even with this work load, he still had time to be a "staff member" on the Indexa information net.73

EXTRA HELP PROVIDED BY:

JA2FG, WT8S, JL1PNQ, WD6EYD, VE3ON, KB2NEK, VE3IQ, W4HNK, W9NUB, W4MPY, KC2S, EA7CIW, N0JR, W5OXA, WA0GFS, IK2CFH, WA2VZQ, JP1RIW, W4NXE/DU3, N3CWP, WA4CUG N1GMU, KC4JRL, W2QMK, W1MGP, W5KFN, VP2ML, VP8ON, VR6BX, WB6QVI, W5KNE, W5ISF, JA2YE, J23EEL, KD8CM, DJ9ZB, JS1MRM, HB9MP, KA5RIP, PA5607, WB3DNA, HB9ARE, N5QGO, JH9XZG, W5XQ, KQ4AV, VK5WO, WA1EZE, K2JNS, N9KVI, WN5IJZ, W5KFN, N5HI. & K4MGP.

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BULLETIN BOARD: The Indexa "T" shirt DOES NOT come with your call on it. Those you see in photos are special made. If you want your call on your shirt, any sports shop can do it for you.

- The special Indexa QSL cards are great and W4MPY(printer) has agreed to extend last years price into this spring but as his cost goes up, so does the cost of the cards. If you are going to stay on the air for another year, order them now! Remember, Indexa does receive a percentage of the sales.
- Being the Secretary/Treasurer of Indexa isn't the best job to be had.Bill would be very happy if: 1) print all info clearly or send a QSL so he can read it. 2) always give your call and membership number when renewing.

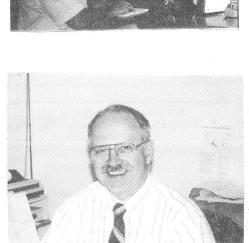
 3) always tell him if you are renewing or a new member. 4) if you are a year or so late in renewing, you must give him all the information because he will not have it.
- Since "your" association, Indexa, is always out in front supporting the good rare countries, we need your help. Make donations of funds, rigs, amps, SWR meters, mikes, coax, tuners, antennas etc. Have you considered putting Indexa in your will? Your comments or questions are welcome.
- Members continue to ask for photos of our staff members and officers to be run in the newsletter. We have responded and will print those we receive. All photos will indicate their position in Indexa and we will note if they are one of the newly elected officers.

MEMBER COMMENT:

AA7AN, I recently had the pleasure of working several DX stations in the Pacific, and promptly received the QSLs through your organization. It's my pleasure to support a fine group such as yours as a Life member.

N2PLE, I'm an old CW op from the 40's and you need a new "T" shirt stating (DXing is time consuming-Frustrating-Self abusive-Expensive but boy am I having fun) ed: Dear Cliff, the shirts aren't large enough for all that.TNX.





DJ9ZB, Franz Langner, Director.

There are very few DXers who has put so much effort into getting a rare country on the air as Franz has. And he does it in a very quiet and easy manner. He is always trying to obtain legal operating permission from any country that the majority of the amateurs need. If you think we get excited when we have a chance to work a new one, you should listen to Franz's excitement because he is the one who can get to where we need a contact from.

It takes a special DXer to put a country on the air knowing since he is there himself, how does one work himself? Thanks for all the "new"ones.

K8CH, Chuck Hutchinson, Director
First licensed in 1960 as KN8UDJ in his home state
of Michigan. Other calls: K8UDJ, TI2CW & HClCW.In
1965 got the "DX BUG", and still has it. One of the
founders of the Greater Lansing (Michigan) DX
Group. Has 80-40 & 10 meter, mixed, phone, CW and 5
Band DXCC. XYORR provided the last needed country.
Chuck was QSL manager for 5Z4LW, VS6AA and
VS5MC.Gave up these duties upon moving to Costa
Rica (1972-73), then on to Ecuador (1973-75).
Last 11 years has been at ARRL HQ. Member of the
ARRL Awards Committee since 1981, and Chairman
since 1991.Was QST Technical Editor from 1975-91.In
January 1991 became the ARRL Membership Services
Manager, which includes the DXCC.

Active on CW, phone, packet and expects to return to RTTY soon. Also likes computers and good music.

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W4UNP, Bill Jennings
Secretary/Treasurer
Bill is active in the
Carolina DX Association
USA 4th call area QSL
bureau as well as with
INDEXA. His DX chasing
is done with a Ten Tec
Omni V,Titan amp,PRO57A
at 75 ft, a second
Mosley (2 ele on 40) at

90 ft and the DX packet cluster. He recently made the "Number One" on DXCC Honor Roll.Other awards are 5BDXCC,CQ DX & WAZ.

He shares his part of INDEXA World Headquarters with his ever patient spouse, Priscilla in Catawba, S.C. ed note: this is the fellow who keeps our records correct even if we can't write plainly. Hi.





VS6CT, Phillip Weaver, Director When Phil stayed a few days at Headquarters with Murph, he insisted on doing his part to keep the grounds neat. He said he could do it just as well as Romeo. Phil will soon retire from the Sea-Air rescue service in Hong Kong.

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